## §749.2. Incidental Take of Xantus's Murrelet Synthliboramphus hypoleucus During Candidacy Period.

The commission finds that, based on current knowledge and protection, and
management efforts outlined in this regulation, the level of take of Xantus's murrelet
which is likely to occur during the period that this regulation is in effect will not cause
jeopardy to the continued existence of the species.
(a) Take Authorization
Based upon the above findings, the commission authorizes the take of Xantus's
murrelet during the candidacy period for each of the activities described below, subject
to the terms and conditions specified for each activity.
(1) Night-time Disturbance (light and noise) near Breeding Colonies.
(A) Incidental take of Xantus's murrelet resulting from night-time (dusk to dawn)
operation of a vessel is authorized all year outside the areas described in subsections
(a)(1)(D) and (a)(1)(E).
(B) Incidental take of Xantus's murrelet resulting from night-time operation of a
vessel from February 1 to July 15 within the areas described in subsections (a)(1)(D)
and (a)(1)(E) is authorized only where such take occurs in compliance with each of the
following restrictions:
1. the vessel is not engaged in night fishing or night diving;
2. external loud speakers on the vessel are not in use;
3. the vessel is within a designated anchorage or safe harbor from dusk to dawn,
except when transiting through areas described in subsections (a)(1)(D) and (a)(1)(E);
and
4. lighting on the vessel is limited to navigational lighting necessary for safe
operations.
(C) Incidental take of Xantus's murrelet resulting from night-time operation of a
vessel from July 16 through January 31 within the areas described in subsections
(a)(1)(D) and (a)(1)(E) is authorized without the restrictions contained in subsection
<del>(a)(1)(B).</del>
(D) Santa Barbara Island: from the mean high tide line extending 1 nm around
the entire shoreline of Santa Barbara Island. Anchorages and safe harbors include
Landing Cove (33o 28.9' N. lat. 119o 1.7' W. long.), and from Arch Point (33o 29.3' N.
lat. 119o 1.6' W. long.) to the southernmost point of the island (33o 27.9' N. lat. 119o
<del>2.1' W. long).</del>
(E) Anacapa Island: from the mean high tide line extending 1 nm around the
entire shoreline of Anacapa Island. Anchorages and safe harbors include Landing Cove
(34o 1' N. lat. 119o 21.6' W. long.) and Frenchy's Cove (34o 0.4' N. lat. 119o 24.4' W.
<del>long.).</del>
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1. Take of Xantus's murrelet in the course of ongoing and currently permitted
research and monitoring of this species by public agencies other than the Department
and by private parties is authorized provided that a written, detailed project progress
report describing objectives, methods (gear, sampling schedules and locations), efforts
to minimize adverse effects to the species, and estimated level of take of the species
shall be provided to the Department's Marine Regional Manager within 60 days of this
regulation becoming effective.

Subdivision (b)(5) of Section 670.5, Title 14, CCR is amended to read:

## §670.5(b). Animals of California Declared to Be Endangered or Threatened.

- (b) Threatened:
- (1) Gastropods:
- (A) Trinity bristle snail (Monadenia setosa)
- (2) Fishes:
- (A) Delta smelt (*Hypomesus transpacificus*)
- (B) Cottonball Marsh pupfish (Cyprinodon salinus milleri)
- (C) Rough sculpin (Cottus asperrimus)
- (D) Spring-run chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) of the Sacramento River drainage.
- (3) Amphibians:
- (A) Siskiyou mountain salamander (*Plethodon stormi*)
- (B) Kern Canyon slender salamander (Batrachoseps simatus)
- (C) Tehachapi slender salamander (Batrachoseps stebbinsi)
- (D) Limestone salamander (*Hydromantes brunus*)
- (E) Shasta salamander (*Hydromantes shastae*)
- (F) Black toad (Bufo exsul)
- (4) Reptiles:
- (A) Desert tortoise (Gopherus agassizzi)
- (B) Barefoot banded gecko (Coleonyx switaki)
- (C) Southern rubber boa (Charina bottae umbratica)
- (D) Alameda whipsnake (*Masticophis lateralis euryxanthus*)
- (E) Giant garter snake (*Thamnophis couchi gigas*)
- (5) Birds:
- (A) Swainson's hawk (*Buteo swainsoni*)

- (B) California black rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis coturniculus*)
- (C) Yuma clapper rail (Rallus longirostris yumanensis)
- (D) Greater sandhill crane (*Grus canadensis tabida*)
- (E) Bank swallow (*Riparia riparia*)
- (F) Xantus's murrelet (Synthliboramphus hypoleucus)
- (6) Mammals:
- (A) Mohave ground squirrel (Spermohilus mohavensis)
- (B) San Joaquin antelope squirrel (Ammospermophilus nelsoni)
- (C) Stephens' kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys stephensi*)
- (D) Sierra Nevada red fox (Vulpes vulpes necator)
- (E) San Joaquin kit fox (*Vulpes macrotis mutica*)
- (F) Island fox (*Urocyon littoralis*)
- (G) Wolverine (Gulo gulo)
- (H) Guadalupe fur seal (Arctocephalus townsendi)
- (I) Peninsular bighorn sheep (Ovis canadensis cremnobates)

NOTE

Authority cited: Sections 2070 and 2075.5, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 1755, 2055, 2062, 2067, 2070, 2072.7, 2075.5 and 2077, Fish and Game Code.